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THE SULLIVANT MOSS CHAPTER OF THE AGASSIZ ASSOCIATION

—Our apologies are due to Vice-president Collins for the omission of his name from the list of charter members.

—Only eleven votes were cast in the vote for the constitution, but as they were all affirmative and constitute a quorum the constitution is adopted.

—The president hopes that no one will think him to be the person referred to in the July *BRYOLOGIST*, as "just the man for the place." The person thus referred to positively declined the honor.

—Fifty members, and more are joining every day. Copies of the constitution will be mailed to any one interested in moss study, upon application to the secretary.

—Vice-president Collins sends the following note on mica for slides: "A good grade of mica for microscopic slides can be obtained of Eugene Munsell & Co., 218 Water street, New York City. It comes in square pieces, 2x2, and is readily cut into two slides and two covers, with an old pair of shears. It generally comes much too thick, but is readily split to the desired thickness. I obtained a pound of it in March, 1898, and have been using it pretty constantly since, and have two-thirds of it unused now. The price quoted me in March was 51 cents per pound net, less 2 per cent. for cash in ten days, delivered."

—Our secretary sends the following method of preparing mica slides for use, after separating the mica and trimming the pieces into the desired sizes: 1st. Place the whole in a dish and cover with alcohol and let stand for twenty-four hours. The alcohol need not be of high grade. Wood alcohol such as is used for burning in lamps is good enough. 2d. Pour the alcohol off, keeping it for such use or for burning, cover the mica with water in which pour a few drops of hydrochloric acid. Let this stand for several hours, taking care to separate the thin slides in such manner that all may be acted upon by the acid bath. 3d. Pour this off and repeatedly wash in *warm* water, by pouring the water on and stirring to insure perfect cleaning. 4th. Dry by spreading the mica on towels and when dry polish with lens paper. Finally place in a covered box to keep free from dust.